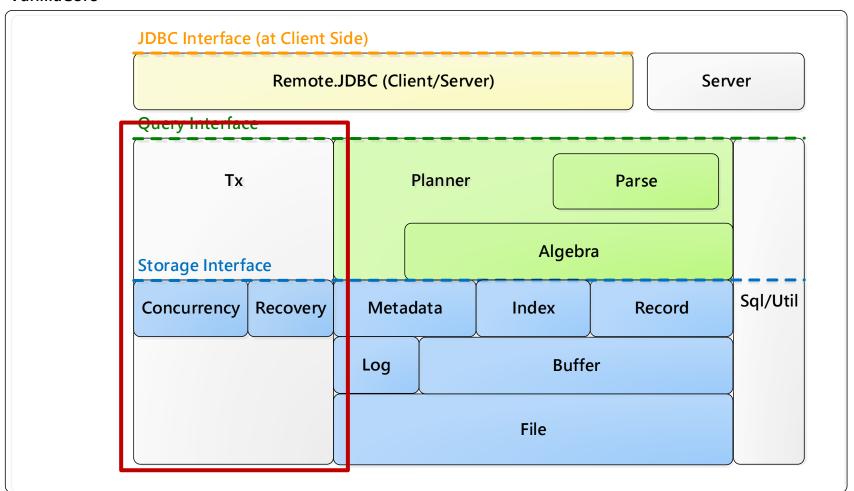


# Transaction Management Part I: Concurrency Control

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# Tx Management

#### VanillaCore



```
VanillaDb.init("studentdb");
// Step 1
Transaction tx =
VanillaDb.txMgr().newTransaction(
Connection. TRANSACTION SERIALIZABLE, true);
// Step 2
Planner planner = VanillaDb.newPlanner();
String query = "SELECT s-name, d-name FROM •
departments, "
+ "students WHERE major-id = d-id";
Plan plan = planner.createQueryPlan(query,
tx);
Scan scan = plan.open();
// Step 3
System.out.println("name\tmajor");
System.out.println("-----");
while (scan.next()) {
String sName = (String) scan.getVal("s-
name").asJavaVal();
String dName = (String) scan.getVal("d-
name").asJavaVal();
System.out.println(sName + "\t" + dName);
scan.close();
// Step 4
tx.commit();
```

#### Native API Revisited

- A tx is created upon accepting an JDBC connection
  - by
     VanillaDb.txMgr().newT
     ransaction()
- Passed as a parameter to Planners/Scanners/RecordFiles

# Transaction Manager in VanillaDB

 VanillaDb.txMgr() is responsible for creating new transaction and maintaining the active transaction list

```
+ serialConcurMgrCls : Class<?>
+ rrConcurMgrCls : Class<?>
+ rcConcurMgrCls : Class<?>
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+ TransactionMgr()
+ onTxCommit(tx : Transaction)
+ onTxRollback(tx : Transaction)
+ onTxEndStatement(tx : Transaction)
+ createCheckpoint(tx : Transaction)
+ newTransaction(isolationLevel : int, readOnly : boolean) : Transaction
+ newTransaction(isolationLevel : int, readOnly : boolean, txNum : long) :
Transaction
+ getNextTxNum() : long
```

#### Naïve ACID

- C and I: each tx locks the entire DB it access
  - Responsibility of the Concurrency Manager
- A and D: Write Ahead Logging (WAL)
  - Responsibility of the *Recovery Manager*

# **Transaction Management**

#### Transaction

+ Transaction(concurMgr : ConcurrencyMgr,

recoveryMgr : RecoveryMgr,

bufferMgr : BufferMgr

readOnly: boolean, txNum: long)

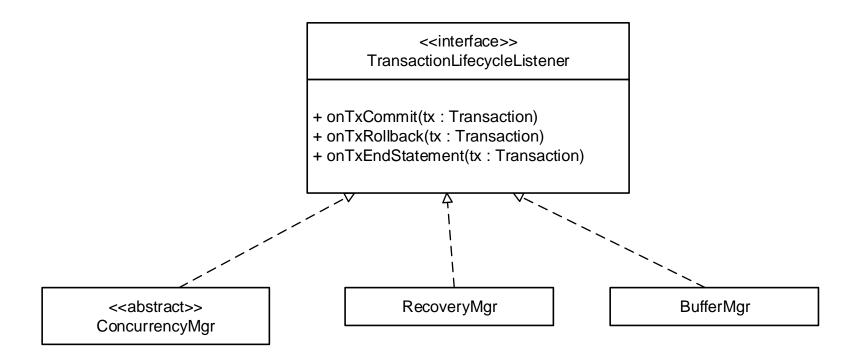
- + addLifeCycleListener(I: TransactionLifeCycleListener)
- + commit()
- + rollback()
- + endStatement()
- + getTransactionNumber(): long
- + isReadOnly(): boolean
- + concurrencyMgr() : ConcurrencyMgr
- + recoveryMgr() : RecoveryMgr
- + bufferMgr() : BufferMgr

- Each tx has an concurrency and recovery mgr instance
- Transaction life cycle
  - On transaction commit
  - On transaction rollback
  - On transaction end statement



#### Listeners

- Tx life cycle listener
  - Takes actions to tx life cycle events



## Transaction Listener: Concurrency Mgr

- Serializable Concurrency manager
  - On tx commit/rollback: releases all locks

```
@Override
public void onTxCommit(Transaction tx) {
         lockTbl.releaseAll(txNum, false);
}

@Override
public void onTxRollback(Transaction tx) {
         lockTbl.releaseAll(txNum, false);
}

@Override
public void onTxEndStatement(Transaction tx) {
         // do nothing
}
```

# Transaction Listener: Recovery Mgr

- Basic recovery manager
  - On tx rollback: undo all modifications based on log records
  - On tx commit: writes log records to disk and flushes dirty pages

```
@Override
public void onTxCommit(Transaction tx) {
      VanillaDb.bufferMgr().flushAll(txNum);
      long lsn = new CommitRecord(txNum).writeToLog();
      VanillaDb.logMgr().flush(lsn);
@Override
public void onTxRollback(Transaction tx) {
      doRollback(tx);
      VanillaDb.bufferMgr().flushAll(txNum);
      long lsn = new RollbackRecord(txNum).writeToLog();
      VanillaDb.logMgr().flush(lsn);
}
@Override
public void onTxEndStatement(Transaction tx) {
      // do nothing
}
```

# Transaction Listener: Buffer Mgr

- Buffer manager
  - On tx rollback/commit: unpins all pages pinned by the current tx
  - Registered itself as a life cycle listener on start of each tx

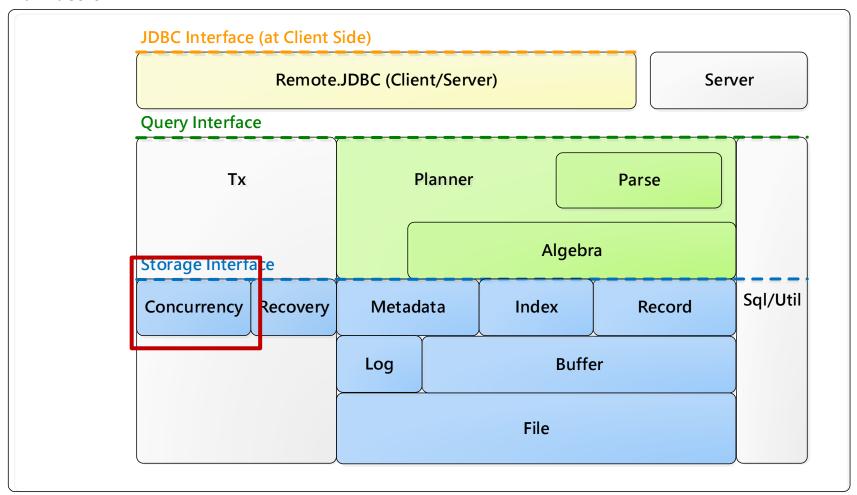
```
@Override
public void onTxCommit(Transaction tx) {
        unpinAll(tx);
}

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public void onTxRollback(Transaction tx) {
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}

@Override
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}
```

# Today's Focus: Concurrency Mgr

#### VanillaCore



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# Transaction Management

 The recovery manager ensures atomicity and durability of the database

How about consistency and isolation?

# Consistency

#### Consistency

- Txs will leave the database in a consistent state
- I.e., all integrity constraints are meet
  - Primary and foreign key constrains
  - Non-null constrain
  - (Field) type constrain
  - ...
- Users are responsible for issuing "valid" txs

## Isolation

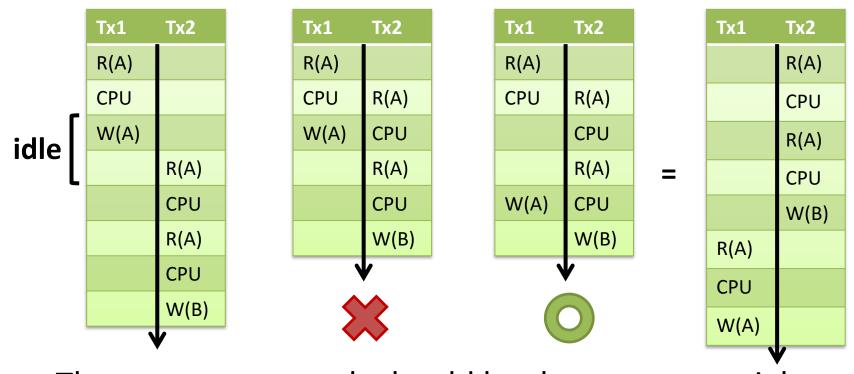
#### Isolation

- Interleaved execution of txs should have the net effect identical to executing tx in *some* serial order
- $-T_1$  and  $T_2$  are executed concurrently, isolation gives that the net effect to be equivalent to either
  - $T_1$  followed by  $T_2$  or
  - $T_2$  followed by  $T_1$
- The DBMS does not guarantee to result in which particular order

Why do we need to interleave txs?

#### **Concurrent Txs**

Since I/O is slow, it is better to execute Tx1 and Tx2 concurrently to reduce CPU idle time



- The concurrent result should be the same as serial execution in some order
  - Better concurrency



#### **Concurrent Txs**

- Pros:
  - Increases throughput
  - Shortens response time for short txs

• Before executing  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ :

$$-A = 300, B = 400$$

```
T1: BEGIN A=A+100, B=B-100 END
T2: BEGIN A=1.06*A, B=1.06*B END
```

- Two possible execution results
  - $-T_1$  followed by  $T_2$

• A = 400, B = 300 
$$\rightarrow$$
 A = 424, B = 318

- $-T_2$  followed by  $T_1$ 
  - A = 318, B = 424  $\rightarrow$  A = 418, B = 324

- A schedule is a list of actions/operations from a set of transaction
- If the actions of different transactions are not interleaved, we call this schedule a *serial* schedule

```
T1: A=A+100, B=B-100
T2: A=1.06*A, B=1.06*B
```

- Equivalent schedules
  - The effect of executing the first schedule is identical to the effect of executing the second schedule
- Serializable schedule
  - A schedule that is equivalent to some serial execution of the transactions

A possible interleaving schedule

- Result: A = 424, B = 318
- A serializable schedule
  - $T_1$  followed by  $T_2$

How about this schedule?

- Result: A = 424, B = 324
- A non-serializable schedule
- Violates the isolation
- DBMS's view



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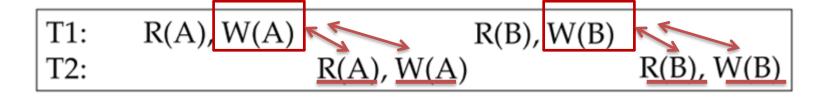
# **Conflict Operations**

- What actions jeopardize the interleaving?
  - Those on the same object and conflict with each other
- Conflicts:
  - Write-read conflict (on the same object)
  - Read-write conflict
  - Write-write conflict
- Read-read conflict?
  - No

# **Conflict Operations**

 Two operations on the same object are conflict if they are operated by different txs and at least one of these operations is a write

```
T1: R(A), W(A) R(A), W(A), R(B), W(B)
```



#### Anomalies due to Write-Read Conflict

- Reading uncommitted data
  - Dirty reads

T1: 
$$R(A)$$
,  $W(A)$ ,  $R(B)$ ,  $W(B)$   $R(B)$ ,  $R$ 

A unrecoverable schedule

```
T1: R(A), W(A), R(B), W(B), Abort T2: R(A), W(A), C
```

- T1 cannot abort!
- Cascading aborts if T2 completes after T1 aborts



#### Anomalies due to Read-Write Conflict

#### Unrepeatable reads:

- $-T_1$ : if (A > 0) A = A 1;
- $-T_2$ : if (A > 0) A = A 1;
- IC on A: cannot be negative

```
T1: R(A), R(A), W(A), C
T2: R(A), W(A), C
```



#### Anomalies due to Write-Write Conflict

#### Lost updates:

```
-T_1: A = A + 1; B = B * 10;
```

$$-T_2$$
:  $A = A + 2$ ;  $B = B * 5$ ;

- Start with A=10, B=10

```
T1: W(A), W(B), C
```

T2: W(A), W(B), C

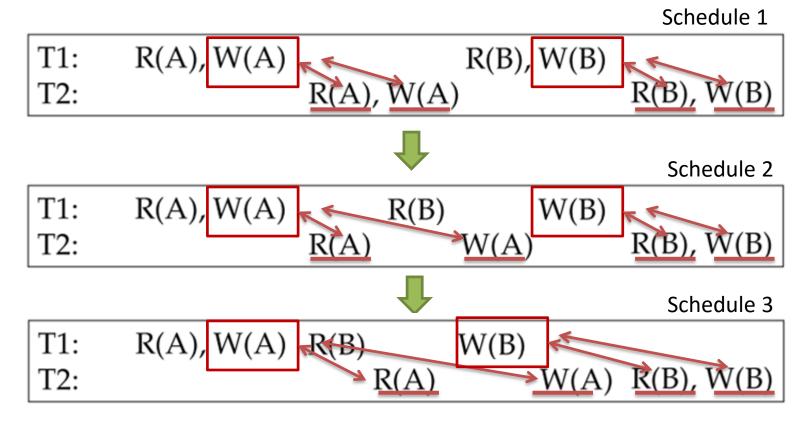


# **Avoiding Anomalies**

- To ensure serializable schedule:
- How?
  - Perform all conflicting actions between T1 and T2
     in the same order (either T1's before T2's or T2's
     before T1's)
  - I.e., to ensure conflict serializability

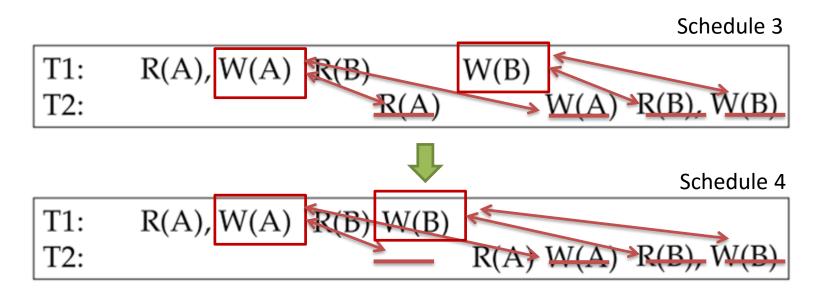
# Conflict Equivalent

- If two operations are not conflict, we can swap them to generate an equivalent schedule
- Schedule 1 is conflict equivalent to schedule 2 and schedule 3



#### **Conflict Serializable**

- By swapping non-conflict operations, we can transfer the schedule 1 into a serial schedule 4
- We say that schedule 1 is conflict serializable



# Ensuring serializability is not enough

# **Avoiding Anomalies**

- We also need to ensure recoverable schedule
- Definition: A schedule is recoverable if each tx
   T commits only after all txs whose changes T
   reads, commit
- How?
  - Avoid cascading aborts
  - Disallow a tx from reading uncommitted changes from other txs

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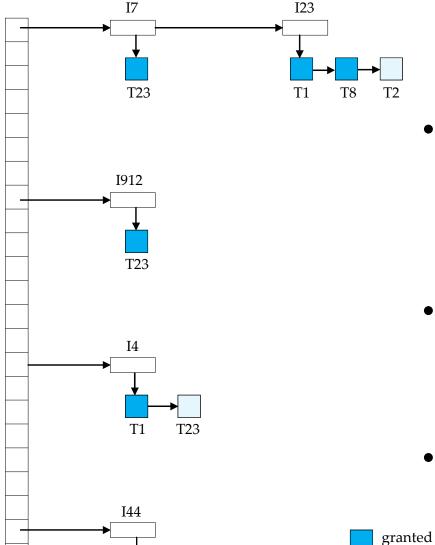
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### Lock-Based Concurrency Control

- For isolation and consistency considerations, the DBMS should only allow serializable, recoverable schedules
  - Uncommitted changes cannot be seen
  - Cannot overwrite uncommitted change
  - Ensure repeatable read
- A *lock* is a mechanism to control concurrent access to a data item

### Lock Management

- Lock and unlock requests are handled by the lock manager
- Lock table entry
  - Number of transactions currently holding a lock
  - Type of lock held
  - Pointer to queue of lock requests
- Locking and unlocking have to be atomic operations



#### Lock Table

- Implemented as an inmemory hash table indexed on the name of the data item being locked
- New request is added to the end of the queue of requests for the data item
- Lock is granted if it is compatible with all earlier locks

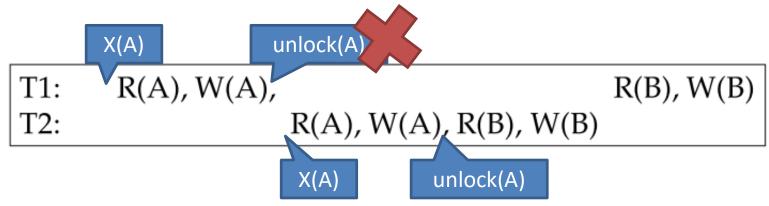
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### Lock-Based Concurrency Control

- What kinds of locks do we need?
  - Shared (S) lock
  - Exclusive (X) lock

	S	Х	
S	True	False	
X	False	False	

- What type of lock to get for each operation?
- When should a transaction acquire/release lock?
- Critical section alike?



#### Lock $\neq$ latch

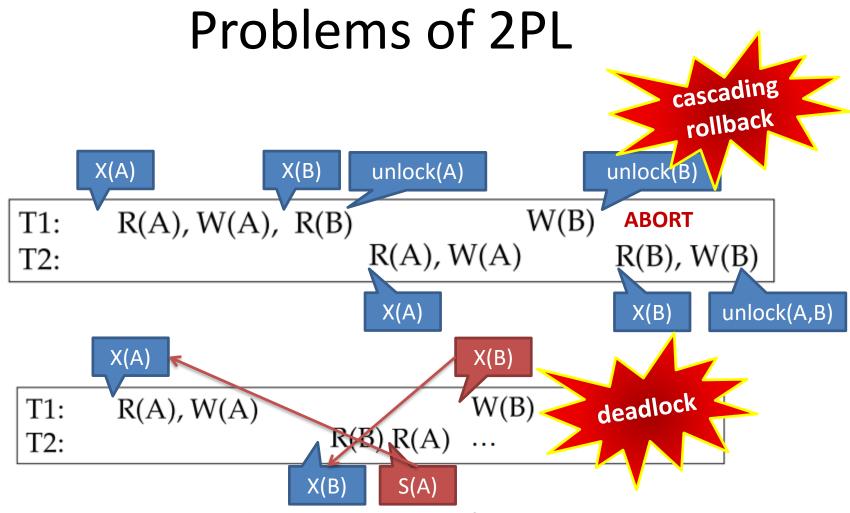
- Lock: long-term, tx-level
- Latch: short-term, ds/alg-level

### Lock-Based Concurrency Control

#### Locking protocol

- A set of rules followed by all transactions for requesting and releasing locks
- The Two phase Locking Protocol (2PL)
  - Phase 1: Growing Phase
    - Each tx must obtain an S (X) lock on an object before reading (writing) it
  - Phase 2: Shrinking Phase
    - A transaction can not request additional locks once it releases any locks
- The 2PL can ensure serializable schedules

# Is 2PL enough?



 Starvation is also possible if concurrency control manager is badly implemented

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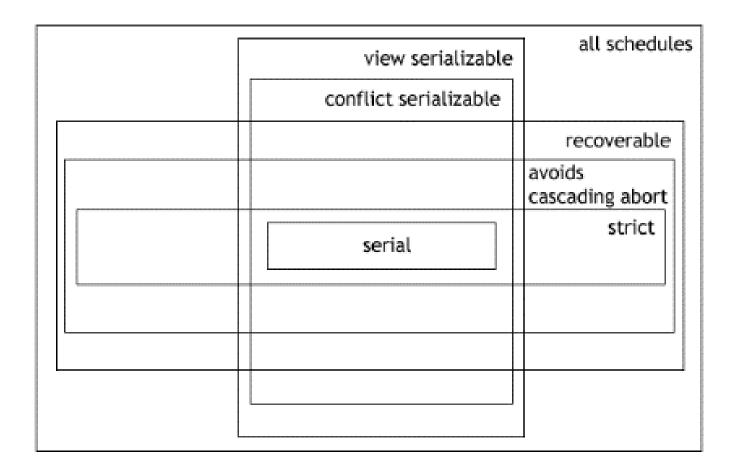
### Strict Two-Phase Locking

- S2PL
  - Each tx obtains locks as in the growing phase in
     2PL
  - 2. But the tx holds all locks until it completes
- Allows only serializable and stric schedules

### Strict Two-Phase Locking

- Definition: A schedule is *strict* iff for any two txs T1 and T2, if a write operation of T1 precedes a conflicting operation of T2 (either read or write), then T1 commits before that conflicting operation of T2
  - Strictiness → no cascading abort (converse not true)
- Avoids cascading rollback, but still has deadlock

# Serializability and Recoverability

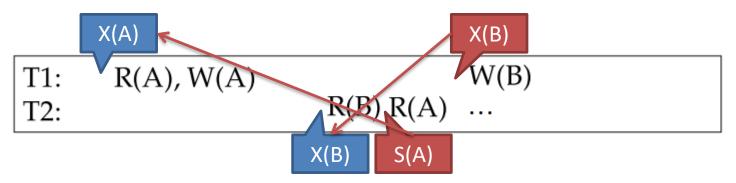


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#### Coping with Deadlocks

 Cycle of transactions waiting for locks to be released by each other



**T1** 

- Detection: Waits-for graph
  - Detect cycle
- Can be used when acquires locks or buffers



T2

### Other Techniques (1)

- Timeout & rollack (deadlock detection)
  - Assume  $T_i$  wants a lock that  $T_j$  holds
  - 1.  $T_i$  waits for the lock
  - 2. If  $T_i$  stays on the wait list too long then:  $T_i$  is rolled back
- Wait-die (deadlock prevention)
  - Assume each  $T_i$  has a priority (e.g., tx number or timestamp)
  - If  $T_i$  wants a lock that  $T_j$  holds
  - 1. It  $T_i$  has higher priority,  $T_i$  waits for  $T_j$ ;
  - 2. otherwise  $T_i$  aborts

## Other Techniques (2)

- Conservative locking (deadlock prevention)
  - Every  $T_i$  locks **all objects at once** (atomically) in the beginning
  - No interleaving for conflicting txs---performs well only if there is no/very few long txs (e.g., in-memory DBMS)
  - How to know which objects to lock before tx execution?
  - Requires the coder of a stored procedure to specify its read- and write-sets explicitly
  - Does not support ad-hoc queries

# You Have Assignment!

### **Assignment: Conservative Locking**

- Implement a ConcurrencyMgr running the conservative locking protocol
  - Modify the stored procedure API to accommodate read-/write-sets



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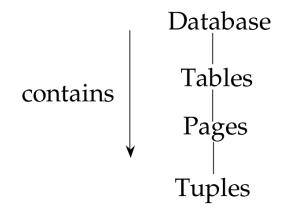
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### **Granularity of Locks**

- What "objects" to lock?
  - Records vs. blocks vs. tables/files
- Granularity of locking objects
  - Fine granularity: high concurrency, high locking overhead
  - Coarse granularity: low locking overhead, low concurrency

### Reducing Locking Overhead

Data "containers" are nested



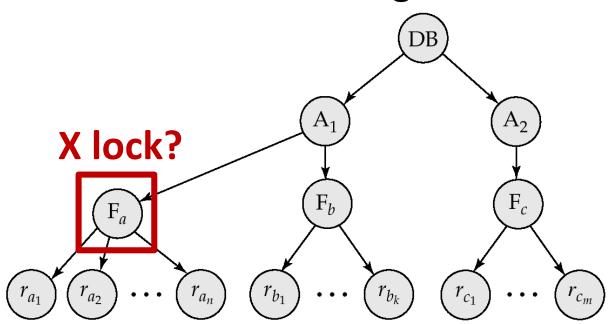
 When scanning, can we lock a file instead of all contained blocks/records to reduce the locking overhead?

### Multiple-Granularity Locks

- Multiple-granularity locking (MGL) allows users to set locks on objects that contain other objects
  - Locking a file implies locking all contained blocks/records
- How can the lock manager knows whether a file is lockable?
  - Some other tx may hold a conflicting lock on a block in that file

# Checking If An Object Is Locked

- To lock a file, check whether all blocks/records in that file are locked
  - Good strategy?
- Does not save the locking overhead



### Multiple-Granularity Locks

- Allow transactions to lock at each level, but with a special protocol using new "intention" locks:
- Intention-shared (IS)
  - Indicates explicit locking at a lower level of the tree but only with shared locks
- Intention-exclusive (IX)
  - Indicates explicit locking at a lower level with exclusive or shared locks
- Shared and intention-exclusive (SIX)
  - The subtree rooted by that node is locked explicitly in shared mode and explicit locking is being done at a lower level with exclusive-mode locks

# Multiple-Granularity Locks

The compatibility matrix for all lock modes is:

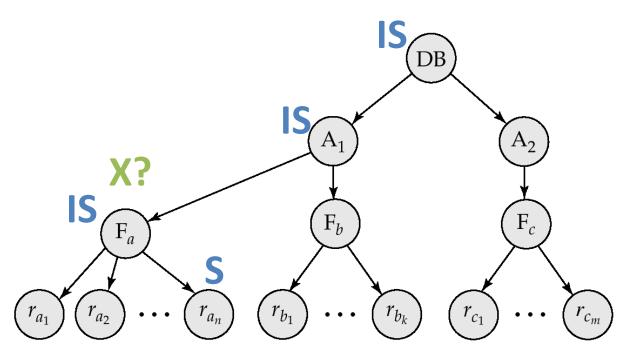
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IS	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	×
IX	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	×	×	×
S	<b>√</b>	×	<b>✓</b>	×	×
SIX	✓	×	×	×	×
X	×	×	×	×	×

#### Multiple Granularity Locking Scheme

- Transaction T<sub>i</sub> can lock a node Q, using the following rules:
  - 1. The lock compatibility matrix must be observed
  - 2. The root of the tree must be locked first, and may be locked in any mode
  - 3. A node Q can be locked by  $T_i$  in S or IS mode only if the parent of Q is currently locked by  $T_i$  in either IX or IS mode
  - 4. A node Q can be locked by  $T_i$  in X, SIX, or IX mode only if the parent of Q is currently locked by  $T_i$  in either IX or SIX mode
  - 5.  $T_i$  can lock a node only if it has not previously unlocked any node (that is,  $T_i$  is two-phase).
  - 6.  $T_i$  can unlock a node Q only if none of the children of Q are currently locked by  $T_i$

#### Acquiring Locks in MGL: An Example

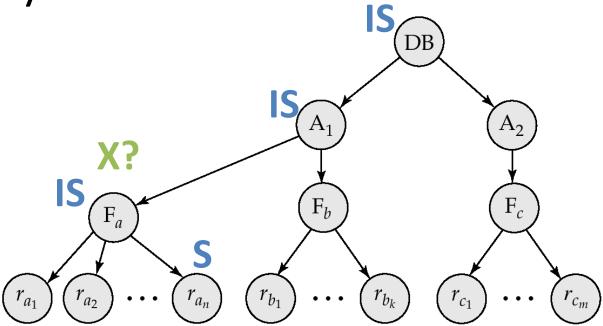
- Locks are acquired in root-to-leaf order
  - Tx1 wants to share-lock a record
  - Tx2 wants to exclusive-lock a file



# Releasing Locks in MGL

Locks need to be released in *leaf-to-root* order

Why?



### Usage Examples of MGL

- $T_1$  scans R, and updates a few tuples:
  - $-T_1$  gets an SIX lock on R, and occasionally get X lock on the tuples under modification
- T<sub>2</sub> uses an index to read only part of R:
  - $-T_2$  gets an IS lock on R, and repeatedly gets an S lock on a tuple of R
- $T_3$  reads the size of R:
  - $-T_3$  gets an S lock on R

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#### Dynamic Databases

- So far, we have treated a database as a fixed collection of independent data objects
  - Only reads and writes
- However, the database can grow and shrink through the insertions and deletions
- What trouble will the insertions and deletions make?
  - Phantoms

### Phantoms Caused by Insertion

```
- T_1: SELECT * FROM users WHERE age=10;

- T_2: INSERT INTO users

VALUES (3, 'Bob', 10); COMMIT;

- T_1: SELECT * FROM users WHERE age=10;
```

- A transaction that reads the entire contents of a table multiple times will see different data
  - E.g., in a join query

### Phantoms Caused by Update

```
- T_1: SELECT * FROM users WHERE age=10;

- T_2: UPDATE users SET age=10 WHERE id=7;

COMMIT;

- T_1: SELECT * FROM users WHERE age=10;
```

- $T_1$  only share locks the records with the age equals to 10
- The record with id=7 is not in the locking item set of  $T_1$ , so  $T_2$  can update this record

#### How to Prevent Phantoms?

- EOF locks or multi-granularity locks
  - X-lock the containing file when inserting/updating records in a block
  - Hurt performance (due to serial inserts/updates)
  - Usually used to prevent phantoms by insert
  - But not phantoms by update (why?)
- Index (or predicate) locking
  - Prevent phantoms by both causes
  - If indices for the inserting/updating fields are created

#### Phantom and Conservative Locking

- How about your assignment?
- You should at least implement MGL to prevent phantom due to inserts

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#### Transaction Characteristics

- SQL allows users to specify the followings:
- Access model
  - READ ONLY or READ WRITE
  - By Connection.setReadOnly() in JDBC
- Isolation level
  - Trade anomalies for better tx concurrency
  - By
    Connection.setTransactionIsolation
    ()

## **Isolation Levels**

Defined by the ANSI/ISO SQL standard

Isolation level	Dirty reads	Unrepeatable reads	Phantoms
Read Uncommitted	Maybe	Maybe	Maybe
Read Committed	No	Maybe	Maybe
Repeatable Read	No	No	Maybe
Serializable	No	No	No

How to relate this with locking?

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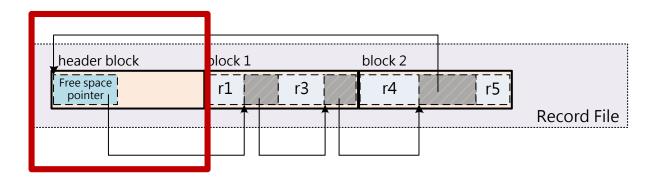
Isolation level	Shared Lock	Predicate Lock
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Read Committed	Released early	No
Repeatable Read	Held to completion	No
Serializable	Held to completion	Held to completion

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#### Meta-Structures

- DBMS maintains some meta-structures in addition to data perceived by users
  - E.g., FileHeaderPage in RecordFile



Indices (to be discussed later)

# Concurrency Control of Access to Meta-Structures

- Access to FileHeaderPage?
  - Whenever insertions/deletions of records happen
- How to lock FileHeaderPage?
  - S2PL?
- S2PL will serialize all insertions and deletions
  - Hurts performance if we have many inserts/deletes
  - Spoils index/predicate locking (if any)

## Early Lock Release

- Actually, lock of FileHeaderPage can be released early
- Locking steps for a (logical) insertion/deletion:
  - Acquire locks of FileHeaderPage and target object (RecordPage or a record) in order
  - Perform changes
  - Release the lock of FileHeaderPage (but not the object)
- Better I
- No harm to C
- Needs special care to ensure A and D

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- In storage.tx.concurrency
- Lock-based protocol
  - MGL granularities: file, block, and record
  - S2PL
  - Deadlock detection: time-limit
- Support txs at different isolation levels concurrently
  - Serializable
  - Repeatable Read
  - Read Committed

## Lock Mode and Access Path

 Access path of a full table scan: a sequence of data block

#### Prevent phantoms due to inserts, but not updates

	Read rec	Modify/delete rec	Insert rec
SERIALIZABLE	IS lock on file IS lock on block S lock on record	IX lock on file IX lock on block X lock on record	X lock on file X lock on block X lock on record
REPEATABLE READ	IS lock on file and block, release IS on file and block immediately	IX lock on file IX lock on block X lock on block X lock on record X lock on record Read committed and avoid	
	S lock on record	cascading abort	

## Lock Mode and Access Path

	Read rec	Modify/delete rec	Insert rec
READ COMMITTED	IS lock on file and block, release IS on file and block immediately	IX lock on file IX lock on block X lock on record	X lock on file X lock on block X lock on record
	S lock on record and release it upon end statement	Early lock release	

## Concurrency Manager

Decide what locks to obtain along the access path

```
<<abstract>>
                      ConcurrencyMgr
# txnum: long
# locktbl : Locktable
<<abstract>> + modifyFile(fileName : String)
<<abstract>> + readFile(fileName : String)
<<abstract>> + insertBlock(blk : BlockId)
<<abstract>> + readBlock(blk : BlockId)
<<abstract>> + modifyBlock(blk : BlockId)
// methods for B-tree index locking
```

## Concurrency Manager

- CCMgr for three isolation levels
  - SerializableConcurrencyMgr
  - RepeatableRead1ConcurrencyMgr
  - ReadCommittedConcurrencyMgr
- Every transaction has its own concurrency managers corresponding to the isolation level

## **Lock Table**

- Implements the compatibility table
- Use time-limit strategy to resolve deadlock

```
LockTable

<<final>> ~ IS LOCK: int
<<final>> ~ IX LOCK: int
<<final>> ~ S LOCK: int
<<final>> ~ SIX LOCK: int
<<final>> ~ SIX LOCK: int
<<final>> ~ X LOCK: int

<<synchronized>> ~ sLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ xLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ sixLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ isLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ ixLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ ixLock(obj: Object, txNum: long)
<<synchronized>> ~ release(obj: Object, txNum: long, lockType: int)
<<synchronized>> ~ releaseAll(txNum: long, sLockOnly: boolean)
```

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